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GLEE CLUB

The Girls' Glee Club wound up activities for this year with a final outing at the Lodge of Mr. and Mrs. John Sawtelle on South Street during the afternoon and evening of Wednesday, June 8. After a fine supper consisting of hot dogs, chocolate doughnuts, punch, cookies, and marshmallows, the remainder of the evening was spent in games, stunts, and songs.

Miss Louise Garland, Vice-President of the organization, acted as General Chairman. Those assisting her were Florence Wood, chairman of food; Marie Greene in charge of games; Ferne Browne, and Jean MacDougall.

Guests present included Mr. and Mrs. Sawtelle, Miss Evelyn Littlefield, and Miss Catherine Goff.

New Officers for the Glee Club

President Marion Ferguson, Saco
Vice-President . . . Emma Libby, Harrison
Secretary Mary Dustin, North Berwick
Treasurer Eleanor Greene, Bluehill
Librarian, Marie Greene, South Portland
Assistant Irene Perreault, Lewiston

Dorothy Bragdon will continue to represent the club at Civic Committee.

CONGRATULATIONS GREEN AND WHITE

Dedicated to Mr. Packard, "whom we respect as a teacher, cherish as a friend, and honor as a Christian and a gentleman," this year's "Green and White" differs greatly from those of previous years. Entirely new as to make-up, the 1938 volume expresses the friendly spirit everywhere evident around the Gorham campus. The new arrangement of pictures, including those of the various clubs which have not been in for several years, the enlarged training school section, candid camera shots, and probably the most important of all, the addition of the fourth year class looking very professional in their caps and gowns, all add to the attractiveness of volume 20.

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SENIOR PROM.

The outstanding feature of Senior Week as planned by the fourth year Senior class is the Senior Prom to be held June 17 in Russell Hall Gymnasium.

The theme of decorations will be silhouettes in cap and gown carried out in blue and white. A low ceiling of blue sprinkled with stars and miniature box seats around the dancing floor will add to the friendly atmosphere.

Miss June Jordan is general chairman and is being assisted by Mary Sylvester, Roberta French, Arlene Marshall, Margaret McIntyre, Marjorie Cole, David McAllister, Carroll Ronco, Vernon Stapleford, Kervin Ellis, and Karlton Higgins.

The patrons and patronesses are Dr. and Mrs. Walter E. Russell, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford O. T. Wieden, Miss Nellie Jordan and Mr. Louis Jensen.

It is to be hoped that the success of this event will lead to its incorporation into the annual commencement events of Gorham Normal.

Commencement Week Offers New And Interesting Program TWENTY-SIX RECEIVE B. S. DEGREES

COMMENCEMENT ACTIVITIES

Commencement Week started early this year, when the first Fourth Year Senior Class established the custom of observing Senior Week. During this week they are wearing their caps and gowns, permitted this year as a degree is given.

On Tuesday morning, June 14th, Commencement Week began when the Seniors presented a chapel program. The chairman of this program was David McAllister. Those working with him were Barbara Stiles, Philip Tarbox, Keith Jordan, class president, and Randall Staples.

Wednesday, June 15th, marked the day the Seniors sailed up Sebago Lake through the Songo Locks to Naples, where they had their class picnic. All the faculty were invited to attend this picnic as guests of the Senior Class. Karlton Higgins had charge of this affair, with the help of Carroll Rines, Hilda McLain, Cole Kelley, Frank Tupper, and Mervin Rowe.

The Senior prom, another new feature of this year's Commencement program, will take place in Russell Hall on the evening of June 17th. Music will be provided by Bob Percival and his orchestra from Portland.

Saturday, June 18th, as has been the custom, will be Alumni Day, especially honoring this year the Strawberry Class of 1880, the classes of 1888, 1913 and 1928. Their activities that day consist of a business meeting at 10:00 A. M. and at 12:30 a banquet in East Hall dining room, to which this year's graduating classes are invited.

At 4 P. M., Saturday, Dr. and Mrs. Walter E. Russell will entertain the members of the graduating classes, their relatives and friends, and the alumni at a reception. The faculty of the Gorham Normal School will be in the receiving line. The string trio, Edith Lewis, Charlena Durgin, and Virginia Hagen, will provide musical selections.

The double mixed quartet, Virginia Hagen, Barbara Welch, Mary Cullinan, Margaret Johnson, Ferne Browne, Bradley Dennett, Kenneth Hobbs, Wilmer Van Blaricum, and Warren Hill, will sing at both Baccalaureate and Graduation Exercises. Richard Goodridge will sing "The Lord's Prayer," by Mallotte at Baccalaureate. Virginia Hagen will play a violin solo "Frosquita" by Franz Lehar at Graduation.

For entertainment in the evening, the combined Senior classes are to produce the play, "Sunset Glow," written by Adelaide Matthews and Lucille Sawyer. The story is about the struggle of two

elderly people to return to their home in the country after spending a lifetime saving the necessary money. The love story of Helen and Robert runs throughout the play; also, the adventures of Hilda and her friend, Sadie, who have aspirations to get into the movies.

This year, Reverend William Stewart, pastor of the Methodist Church in Gorham, will be the speaker at the Baccalaureate Service held in Russell Hall Sunday afternoon at 4:15. At this time, his subject has not been announced.

Monday morning, June 20th, at 10:00 o'clock, the formal graduation exercises of the classes of 1938 begin. There will be the first academic procession of the faculty ever to be held in the history of the school. Miss Barbara Stiles will marshal in the twenty-six members of the Fourth Year Senior Class. The Third Year Seniors, consisting of forty-nine graduates from the Junior High School Course, twenty-seven from the General Course, nine from the Kindergarten Primary Course, and nine from the Industrial Arts Course, will be marshalled in by Carlton Landry. The Gorham Normal School orchestra, directed by Miss Miriam Andrews, will furnish the music at graduation. The address of the morning will be delivered by Willard G. Sperry, Dean of Harvard Theological School. He has chosen for his subject, "Education for Our Times." Special invitations to this Commencement will be extended to Governor Lewis O. Barrows, Mrs. Eliot Roderick, who will probably represent the trustees of Gorham Normal School, the college presidents of the state, the normal school principals, the State Department of Education, and the families and friends of the members of the graduating classes.

A student executive board was appointed by Dr. Walter E. Russell to serve in settling matters pertaining to Commencement exercises. They are Mary Sleeper and Arthur Doe from the Fourth Year Class and Arthur Boswell, Jane Christiansen, and Gladys Wagner from the Third Year Class. The chairmen in charge of the various Commencement committees are Grace Perry, General Chairman for Fourth Year Senior Activities; Miss Miriam Andrews, Chairman for Music and Marching Rehearsals; Miss Bess Lewis, Chairman of Decoration Committees; Mr. Clifford O. T. Wieden, Chairman for Ticket Arrangements; Miss Gertrude Stone, Chairman for Reception Tea Arrangements; and Mr. Louis Woodward, Chairman for Seating Arrangements.

It is the hope of the administration and of those who have carefully planned this program, that all the students, faculty, and guests will participate in these events which will later be profitable and happy memories.

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EDITORIAL

FOLLOWING THROUGH

Does this sound familiar to you? A group of students vote unanimously to work on a certain project. In a few days the plans are made with the seeming backing of but one-third of the previous group. When actual work is started, the participants are those few who are always faithful in every activity with which they have connection. This condition has seemed regrettably prevalent in our school this year. It is not difficult to decide to which faction you belong. This article is written for that large number which, after having voted on a matter, has failed to share any responsibility in the fulfillment of the work. It is desirable that we find the cause underlying this dilemma.

Are the people here lazy? Aren't there students enough to carry the burdens of the extra curricula activities, provided each individual carries his share? Does each one carefully consider the details and work involved in the project for which he votes? If so, why does not the small group have the cooperation of the rest who accept the proposition?

Is it a lack of school spirit? School spirit should increase relatively to the length of time one has attended the school. School spirit is the force which directs almost wholly the progress of the school.

There has just been started a most worthy enterprise for the student recreation room in Corthell Hall. Apparently we have the whole-hearted support of the school. Here is your chance to prove that each of you is willing to "follow through" your decision.

As this issue of the "Oracle" goes to press we, the present staff, put aside our pencils in hopes that in some way we have given you what you have expected.

It is only through the grand co-operation of the student body and unfailing faculty members that we find this possible. To the members of future "Oracle" Staffs we "take off our hats." May you do bigger and greater things with the paper.

GOOD-BYE SENIORS

"Parting is such sweet sorrow" especially when there are as many pleasant memories as the Gorham Campus holds. Some of us have three years full of campus life to look back on and there are a few of the graduating class who can add another year to that.

We hope that you will not consider your graduation as an end but as a beginning to a life made more full by your years here.

Good-bye seniors! Good luck in your teaching positions.

EXCHANGES

We acknowledge with pleasure the arrival of a new exchange, "The Appleblossom," from the Central State Teachers' College, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan.

Among many interesting articles was one entitled—"Teacher Reveals Secrets of the School Profession." Here it is reprinted for your consideration and amusement.

"I do not write the songs of our country, but I teach them to the children. This is the harder task. I do not handle much money for I am impracticable, but I train the banker's children. That is my job. I do not select candidates for office, for teachers must not dabble in politics, but I teach history and government to future office-holders (I acknowledge that I do a poor job).

"I listen patiently while a fond mother explains that Willie is really an unusual child and needs special consideration and attention. I am not a doctor, but I am supposed to be an expert on eyes, tonsils, ears, and adenoids. I am supposed to be an impartial judge, but I am constantly reminded directly or indirectly that my job is in danger unless I pursue a certain course of conduct regardless of facts.

"I like books and love children. This is unfortunate, as both cost money.

"My salary is inadequate, but I am constantly reminded that my profession ranks next to the ministry in salary and importance. I am impracticable enough to be very happy in my work, though the wolf is just around the corner.

"I am the teacher."

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"A man's mind is like a parachute, it only works when it is open."

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The following paragraph taken from an editorial in the Keene Kronicle entitled, "Our Faculty—Our Friends" is also applicable to this school.

"It will surprise many to know that the Faculty give assistance to several hundred graduates every year. In contrast to many institutions, which turn out graduates with all the finality implied by that phrase, our faculty members expect to continue to help their students one year, three years, or ten years after graduation."

"School days—school days,

Dear new fangled school days:

Fencing, eurythmics and plastic art,

Taught with aid of a Binet chart:

I was a lad with a low I. Q.

You were a maid with a minus 2;

Just what we learned we never knew.

But that is the new fangled way."

Tower Watch,
State Teachers College,
Jersey City, N. J.

Wholly appreciative of the careful planning and the time spent in their efforts, the students of Gorham Normal School wish to express to Miss Lewis and Mr. Wieden of the faculty and to the "Green and White" Editorial Board their appreciation of as fine a yearbook as they have yet seen.

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At the convention of the Columbia Scholastic Press Association at Columbia University on March 10, 11, and 12 the Salem Teachers College school paper "The Log," won first-class honors for the third consecutive year.

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"The Mirror" of Farmington Normal School was another New England publication to receive first-class honors.

Congratulations to both!

ALPHA LAMBDA BETA

Due to the absence of President Edward Jess, who was practice teaching, Leo Pelletier assumed leadership of the fraternity during the first quarter. Plans for the year were outlined and an agreement was made with the school and the other fraternity to pledge and initiate new members at the half-year instead of at the beginning of the year as had been the custom.

During the winter months a few evening meetings were conducted at the Junior High School and in the Academy. At these meetings the members enjoyed refreshments and games and decided to sponsor a minstrel show. In January, the Fraternity had as their guests the visiting Hyannis basketball squad.

Later in the year seventeen young men of the school satisfied the fraternity's new high standard of admission and were pledged to be members. The antics of the pledges were a constant source of merriment to all. Final initiation rites were administered in Russell Hall Gymnasium and a banquet was enjoyed in the Grange Hall that evening.

On May 20, the "Frat Frolic" took place. The proceeds from this highly entertaining affair may go towards a scholarship fund which the fraternity is considering.

On June 11 the fraternity observed their annual field day and banquet at the Chute Homestead, Naples, on Long Lake. The members and guests enjoyed themselves at swimming, canoeing, tennis, and in the Chute's game room. At this function copies of the elaborate illustrated Fraternity Directory were distributed. Officers for next year were also revealed at this time.

ORACLE SALUTES

EDITH LEWIS

The "All Gorham" girl of the third year class is Edith Lewis. Her field of accomplishments is varied and brings her in contact with the whole student body. Probably those who know her least can recognize her as the ever-present pianist in chapel exercises. Her musical ability has made her a valuable member of the musical organizations of G. N. S. She is President of the Women's Glee Club. Besides being an accomplished pianist, she plays the French Horn in the orchestra and band. Most recently she had an important part as accompanist for the operetta, "The Buccaneer."

In the athletic field, Edith is active in tennis and archery.

She is a member of the Y.W.C.A. Cabinet and was delegate, last fall, to the Bates Conference.

In the Civic Committee, Edith is Secretary and has acted as chairman of the Dining Room Committee on such occasions as Superintendents' Day and Back-to-Gorham Day.

Her personality is a symbol of Gorham training: she is always ready to help, even in the most trying situations. With little provocation, a beautiful blush is aroused and a merry twinkle is often glimpsed in her eye.

JOHN CAMBRIDGE

Easily the "find" of the year since his performance as the swashbuckling pirate of "The Buccaneer", John has become the ideal of all the girls of Gorham.

A graduate of Deering High and a member of the second year Industrial Arts course, he has also shown his aptitude in the various fields besides acting and singing.

This winter a far from uncommon sight was John Cambridge on skis. Morning, noon, evening, and spare periods much of his time was spent either in perfecting his own skill or in helping the less experienced devotees of the art. With such incentive, doubtless Gorham will become a haven for winter sports enthusiasts, even more than it has been in the past.

Mr. Cambridge is a member of the Commuter's Club and has been active in cross-country, basketball, and baseball. He is Art Editor for the "Green and White" and, as you can see, has done some fine work.

Being a member of the Kappa Delta Phi Fraternity and a regular attendant of the dancing class seems to round off his activities.

We realize that you all know him by sight, but we urge that you acquaint yourself personally with this "regular, good fellow."

BARBARA STILES

A quiet, busy girl who belongs to the fourth year class and is always ready to listen to a tale of woe is Barbara Conant Stiles.

Her musical activities are many and include membership in the orchestra, glee club, and Gorham town orchestra. It was her initiative and effort that organized the new band which was a great attraction of Back-to-Gorham Day. That group which met for the afternoon "Sing" was led by Barbara.

As treasurer of the Y.W.C.A. Cabinet, she is an active worker. She has also served on the House Committee.

Last June, at the Alumni banquet the graduating class had a spokesman who

was a joy and credit to her classmates. Who was it? Why, Barbara Stiles, of course. And who is it that this year is marshal for the fourth year seniors? You're right! Barbara Stiles!

MILTON CHAPMAN

We introduce to all our readers the President of the Freshman class. Westbrook's gift to the Dramatic Club has proven his worthiness in the play, "I'll Leave It To You" and in his role as end-man in the Alpha Lambda Beta Fraternity minstrel show.

Mr. Chapman is a tennis enthusiast of the first order and is also prone to giving demonstrations at the dancing classes.

For further information we refer you to the very fine guardian, who accents his duties in the care of his protege with full seriousness, Eddie Jess.

POETRY CLUB HOLDS PICNIC

As the "Oracle" goes to press, final plans have been completed for the Poetry Club picnic to be held June 4 at Joseph Parker's Camp on Little Sebago. The club will start from the front of Robie Hall at 9:30 Saturday morning. Transportation will be by truck and the private cars of Miss Lewis, Elliot Hawkes, and Helen Allen. This will be the first outing of the club since the election of its new president, Miss Mary Cullinan of Portland, Maine.

The committees for the day are as follows: General Chairman, Gertrude Baker; games, Lorraine Fitzpatrick; food, Rae Parady, June Jordan, and Jane Wing; transportation, Louise Eugley and Beatrice Doughty; indoor games, Rose Flanagan and Evelyn Knight; clean-up, Ann Welton, and initiation, Pauly Metcalf, Miriam Peckham, and Louise Garland.

Among invited guests are Charlena Durgin, Edith Lewis, Virginia Hagen, Eleanor Parker, Mary Martin, Robert Trask, Calvin Austin, Elliot Hawkes, and Carroll Rines.

The following is an outline of the day's activities: 9:30 start, 10:30 games, 12:00 dinner, 1:30 games, 3:30 meeting, 4:30 games, 5:00 supper, 6:30 home. There will be swimming, hiking, and boating. Initiation of new members will be taking place throughout the day.

Some of the selections on the menu for the day will be: hamburgers, coffee, pie, cake, doughnuts, crackers and peanut butter, fruit, and lollipops.

The new members to be initiated are: Beverly Nelson, Ruth Harper, Madelyn Buck, Martha La Rochelle, Miriam Jones, Eunice Shevlin, Helen Brown, Pearl McEachern, Marjorie Howland, Mary Skillin, Constance Furbush, Muriel MacAllister, Ruth Thomas, Rita Lujia, and Violet Gagne. Some of the requirements for these new members' initiation are to write a poem on the quality of mercy, learn the theme song, and furnish all the other members of the club with jelly beans.

Provisions for a rainy day have been made. The starting will be delayed until 11:00 o'clock when the club will go to the Community Hall on Fort Hill Road. The hall is equipped with cooking utensils, piano, and a stage so that a delightful day may be spent in spite of any unexpected rainfall.

Mr. Superintendent Makes Study of Miss Normal School Graduate

The Superintendents of Maine have collaborated with the State Board of Education and have produced in tangible form a list of what they have found and what they have not found in the normal school graduate. Of the fifty-four Superintendents who received a questionnaire from the State Department of Education, forty-two replied. The number of teachers upon whom this study is made is approximately 1,187.

The questions sought information about the quality of teachers in our schools; they covered the physical as well as the mental, the practical and the cultural, knowledge of subject matter and methods, and the important phase of the teacher's place in the community. The State Department of Education at Augusta gathered this data, summarized it and presented it last month in the leaflet entitled "Summary of Questionnaire Relative to Product of Maine State Normal Schools."

Because one day as normal school graduates we will be in the position wherein a critical study will be made of us by some Mr. Superintendent, our interest and curiosity in this report is no small one. Therefore "The Oracle" presents an imaginary interview, reproducing many of the questions and answers in the famous "Summary".

Reporter: "Mr. Superintendent, have you noticed any particular weakness on the part of normal training teachers?"

Mr. Supt.: "Yes, I have. There are some things which are very noticeable. For example, carelessness in speaking English, many teachers lack resourcefulness; others have no sense of character training."

"Then we have the group who are to

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KAPPA DELTA PHI

The Lambda Pi Sigma Fraternity has distinguished itself this year by an unusually active program. The work of the president, Carlton Landry, has been the directing force and his fine leadership has encouraged an unusually high spirit of co-operation among the members.

Early in the year this group, in conjunction with the other fraternity, made up the first set of freshmen rules for the male students.

A new policy was introduced this year in receiving new members. New members were not pledged until after mid-years. In this way the fraternity was able to select those whom it felt had proven themselves of exceptional ability.

The initiatory ceremonies were well planned to the satisfaction of both the old and new members. A shore dinner was the crowning phase of these events.

Early in 1938, it was voted to investigate a few National Orders and make an attempt to become a chapter of a larger organization. Kappa Delta Phi, a Professional Educational Fraternity with chapters throughout the New England and the Middle Atlantic States, was selected as the most logical with which to make negotiations.

Finally, the Lambda Pi Sigma was dissolved and its former members all became members of the Kappa Delta Pi.

The installation rites were carried out at the Portland Boys' Club. Theodore R. Silva, National Secretary, was in charge. This will be known as the Iota chapter.

CURTAIN CLOSED ON WOMEN'S ATHLETICS

The outstanding event of the Spring athletic season was the May Sports Day and May Day Pageant. But then, it takes a C2 division with our author, Georgia Shaw right in our midst to execute such a project successfully. Virginia Wheaton, with her royal escorts, Grace Perry, Agnes Bickford, Jane Christianson, Ruth Thomas, Ruth Furrough, and Virginia Swasey, ran away with the honors of May Queen. The crown bearer was Carolyn Wieden; trumpeters, Kervin Ellis and Harold Bent. A medley of the dances of various countries was presented to entertain the queen. Even the Freshmen had to show their ability as expert tumblers. To Calvin Austin, President of the Mens' Athletic Association, was given the honor of crowning the queen. (Rather embarrassing, wasn't it, Cal?)

There was other entertainment for participation throughout the day including mixed softball, which games no one seemed to win, (it may have been caused by the excellence in playing on part of both selected teams); a baseball game with Northeastern Business College; a "Green and White" Archery Tournament; and tennis. A banquet in East Hall dining room at which Dr. Russell, Karlton Higgins, and Margaret Johnson were speakers, was followed by a dance in the gymnasium to the tune of the best orchestras in the country. (Wasn't that phonograph good?)

The C2 division must be still swelling with pride, for, as this goes to press, we find only one representative of that very able group going out for spring baseball. (Nice work, Anne; you saved the blushes). Anyway, the Freshmen had a 9-4 edge over the Seniors in the play-off game. On Tuesday, May 31, the Freshmen were presented with the championship cup.

Outstanding among the athletic chapel programs was the awarding of the "Green and White" banner to the captains of those teams which have come out on top in the special seasonal sports. It has been awarded to Virginia Hagen, Fall Archery; Lorraine Fitzpatrick, Hockey; Madelyn Buck, Basketball; Elva Murray, Volleyball; and Miriam Jones, Spring Archery; Miss Jones will hold the banner until it is awarded for Softball. Those who received letters were Evelyn Lord, Arlene Rowe, Jeannette Billings, and Margaret Johnson.

When "Dot" comes in late for class now, don't worry. She's slashing her way through the tennis tournament in which forty girls entered. Those who have succeeded in reaching the third round are Janet Tibbetts, Irene Perrault, Edith Silverman, Eleanor Green, Helen Brown, Constance Furbush, and Ruth Berry.

Here's one time, girls, you'll be sorry you haven't joined the Outing Club, because they have a marshmallow hike and a theatre party in store for them. The girls who have had eighteen hikes to their credit will receive letters. (Wasn't it worth the shoe leather?)

Something new in Archery is the Telegraphic Tournament with Aroostook State Normal School. Among those we might see shooting are Evelyn Lord, Esther West, Virginia Hagen, Charlena Durgin, Miriam Jones, Anita Dale, Rita Lujia, and Virginia Swasey.

These activities will draw the closing curtain to one of the most successful spring athletic seasons Gorham has ever witnessed.



BALL NINE HAD SUCCESSFUL SEASON

Gorham's 1938 varsity ball team enjoyed one of the most successful seasons in the history of the school. They amassed a seasonal record of 10 wins and only 3 losses. Their Conference record was 4 wins in six games, which gained them a first division berth in the first league standings.

The only Conference games lost by the Green and White were the two with the championship Keene, N. H., Teachers College nine. Outside the Conference they lost only to the powerful Bridgton Academy nine and they gave a good account of themselves in that contest.

Prospects for another fine team next year are fairly bright despite the loss of a host of veterans. Capt. Blin Felker, Johnny Ham, "Gus" Higgins, Keith Jordan, Cole Kelley, "Skip" Rines, Dwight Webb and "Rabbit" Wescott, all lettermen, will be lost through graduation this June. There will, however, be a number of lettermen returning as the Austin brothers, Cal and Ray, Ernie Doyle, Phil Gerber, "Butch" Whitehouse and Wayne Bowie will be back. Other men who have seen considerable varsity action and will return are George Albert, Paul Baldwin, "Tommy" Corrigan, Harold Charlton and Johnny Greer.

The season's record:

G.N.S.		Opp.
3	Keene, N. H., Teachers College	10
4	Northeastern Business College	1
5	Portland Junior College	3
1	R. I. College of Education	0
1	Keene, N. H., Teachers College	9
3	Bridgton Academy	8
15	Salem, Mass., Teachers College	0
9	Salem, Mass., Teachers College	0
8	Portland Junior College	7
6	R. I. College of Education	4
55	Total Runs	42

GORHAM NORMAL ENJOYED GREATEST SPORTS YEAR

Under the direction of their new coach, Louis Jensen, and with Athletic Director Wieden at the helm to smooth over any difficulties that cropped up, the Gorham Normal athletic teams of 1938 amassed the finest sports records in the history of the school.

The basketball team, under the leadership of Capt. Cal Austin, captured the New England Teachers Conference Championship, this becoming the first team to edge out the Connecticut Teachers College five in the half dozen years that the Conference has been in existence. Gorham Conference record numbered 8 wins and only 1 loss. They amassed a fine seasonal record of 10 victories and only 4 losses.

The baseball nine, led by Capt. Blin Felker, also amassed a fine record, gaining 7 wins as against only 3 defeats. Their Conference record numbered 4 wins and only 2 losses, thus they finished in the first division of this loop. They lost only to championship Keene team and to a great Bridgton Academy nine.

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narrow in social, economic affairs. But worse still, there are teachers who do not keep a neat register and are imprompt in filing reports."

Reporter: "The question of dress is such an important one today. Would you offer suggestions to our readers?"

Mr. Supt.: "There are teachers who do not know how to dress suitably for the classroom. They should be taught how."

Reporter: "Do you find these characteristics eliminated in the experienced teacher?"

Mr. Supt.: "Not always. Experienced teachers often have too much teacher expression with too little pupil expression. Teaching is a natural procedure. Some teachers fail to realize this."

Reporter: "Do you desire your teachers to have some specific training in conducting an activity program?"

Mr. Supt.: "Yes. Teaching becomes less bookish and mechanical if a wholesome activity program is arranged. The program should have an educational as well as a social value."

Reporter: "What about subject matter?"

Mr. Supt.: "Our teachers should have a broader, richer background of subject matter and general information. We like teachers who keep well posted and realize that their subject matter may be changing from day to day."

Reporter: "What would you say about the personality of your teachers?"

Mr. Supt.: "I have a great deal to say. First, I advocate voice training. So many teachers lack the "lift" that often makes for success or failure."